

Sinclair Broadcasting is planning to have their stations air an anti-Kerry documentary just a few days before the election. This is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation and partisan bias.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. When a large company can control the airwaves and what is presented over them, we get more of what's good for the company's bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. It is important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive unbiased news about issues that matter rather than have a corporate politically biased agenda presented as "programming".

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.